

Cornelius Brooksby- John Shaw House
#10 State Circle
Annapolis
Anne Arundel County
Maryland

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BROOKSBY-SHAW HOUSE
Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, Maryland

Date of erection: 1720-1725 and later

Present condition: Altered in 1922 for Elks Lodge

Builder: Cornelius Brooksby and Anne Gough

Description:

One and a half stories; brick; gambrel roof;
"stagger stairs" in attic; kitchen in basement;
"captain's walk"; addition by Cornelius Brooksby,
Jr., in 1745. Other alterations and additions to
interior by Sowell Long before 1751. East end
addition by John Shaw, 1784.

Additional data:

Now used as BPOE Lodge Hall.

Erected 1720-21 by Cornelius Brooksby, completed by Anne Gough
his widow 1725. L addition on Church St. by Cornelius Brooksby
Jr. and his father-in-law Thomas Gough prior to 1745. Interior
improved and steps to trap door in roof by Sowell Long betw.
1745 and 1751. Last addition by Elks 1922.

Ground allotted to Mrs. Margaret Mersier widow of John. Cor-
nelius Brooksby bought ground after his marriage to Anne Shahan
on March 23, 1719 and built a 2 story house with 2 living rooms
and basement with a single room upstairs. Cornelius Brooksby
will probated July 19, 1723 left house to son John and butcher
shop to daughter Mary. Cornelius (John) Brooksby sold his in-
terest to his sister and brother-in-law Sowell Long June 7, 1745.
David Long son of Sowell and Mary Long transferred the property
to John Shaw May 24, 1784. John Shaw's will probated March 9,
1829, left the house to his son George.

Information furnished by A. Guy Miller, Sect. Elk's Lodge,
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ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE Maryland	COUNTY Anne Arundel	TOWN OR VICINITY Annapolis
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Brooksby-Shaw House		HABS NO. MD-250
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE John Shaw House		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 21 State Circle		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1719-1721	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) An 18th century house, largely altered, in excellent condition and with several interesting original features.		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Colonial		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick, laid in English bond, painted. Facade is stuccoed and marked to simulate stone.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) One and ½ stories above high basement; 55' long; originally rectangular in plan.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Originally a small porch in front of entrance door, with a gable roof, a low elliptical arch and slender columns, approached from the side by a wooden stair. The present porch incorporates this motif. A large brick chimney exists at each gable end, projecting from facade. Main entrance has wide wooden architrave 7 glazed transom. The roof is a gambrel; there is a molded wooden cornice in front, now obscured by the porch. There are three hipped dormers on the front of the house.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE The stair leading to the attic is unusually steep, with treads staggered (alternating between the right and left halves of the stair).		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES 1745 "Captain's Walk" added; 1784 east end addition; 1922 Converted to Elk's Club. For further information see Data Page one.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE The house now serves as the offices of the Maryland Historical Trust.		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) Data at the Library of Congress. Report submitted to HABS on August 7, 1964 by Harley J. McKee, N.P.S. Architect		
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